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SUBJECT: M. W. KELLOGG PERSONNEL PLEASED WITH CONDITIONS
AND SURROUNDINGS IN SZECHUAN

1. USLO HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE WIFE OF M. W. KELLOGG TECHNICIAN BEN SMITH, WHO IN NOVEMBER ACCOMPANIED HER HUSBAND TO LUCHOW, SZECHUAN. SMITH IS THE FIRST M. W. KELLOGG TECHNICIAN TO COME TO CHINA FOR WORK ON THE EIGHT AMMONIA PLANTS WHICH HIS COMPANY WILL BUILD HERE OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

2. IN HER LETTER, MRS. SMITH SAYS SHE AND HER HUSBAND ARE SETTLED IN AND "LIKING EACH DAY BETTER." SHE ADDS THAT THEY ARE LIVING IN A THREE STORY GUEST HOUSE SURROUNDED BY GREEN TERRACED HILLSIDES, WITH A VIEW OF A DISTANT RIVER FROM THEIR SITTING ROOM BALCONY. THEY FIND THE LOCAL PEOPLE ARE "GENUINELY FRIENDLY," AND THE COOKS, WHO MADE THEM A FINE CHRISTMAS DINNER, "DO A VERY GOOD JOB." FOR COMPANY THE SMITHS HAVE TWO DUTCH TECHNICIANS WHO ARE WORKING ON THE COMPANION UREA PLANT BEING BUILT BY KELLOGG CONTINENTAL OF HOLLAND.

3. THE NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR HAS RECEIVED A SIMILAR
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LETTER FROM THE TWO DUTCH TECHNICIANS EXPRESSING GENERAL

SATISFACTION WITH THEIR SURROUNDINGS AND COMMENTING ON THE EXCELLENT AND EXTREMELY FRIENDLY COOPERATION THEY ARE GETTING FROM THEIR CHINESE HOSTS. THEY HOPE TO INVITE THEIR AMBASSADOR TO VISIT THE SITE, BUT SAY THEY WILL WAIT UNTIL CONSTRUCTION IS IN AN INTERESTING PHASE, PERHAPS IN JULY.

3. COMMENT: WE THOUGHT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THESE INITIAL REPORTS FROM SZECHUAN, WHICH INDICATE THAT THINGS ARE PROCEEDING SMOOTHLY WITH THE FIRST AMERICAN WHOLE PLANT PROJECT IN CHINA.
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